

In the Claims

Please cancel claims 1-11 without prejudice or disclaimer and add new claims 15-28 as follows:

Claims 1-11 (Cancelled)

12. (Original) An ornament assembly for an exhaust pipe of a vehicle comprising:

- a stand adapted to be secured in an opening end of the exhaust pipe;
- an axle retractably mounted on stand and having a first end adapted to extend into the exhausting pipe and a second end adapted to extend out from the exhausting pipe;
- a spring mounted around the axle and between one end of the axle and the stand to provide a recoil force to the axle; and
- a propeller rotatably mounted on the axle at a position far from the first end of the axle.

13. (Original) The ornament assembly as claimed in claim 12, wherein the stand has a through hole for the axle extending through the through hole.

14. (Original) The ornament assembly as claimed in claim 12, wherein two ends of the spring respectively abut the first end of the axle and the stand.

15. (New) The ornament assembly of claim 12, wherein the propeller exits and reenters the exhaust pipe as a result of the axial movement.

16. (New) The ornament assembly of claim 12, wherein the stand is adapted to be attached to a tail pipe that is attached to the exhaust pipe to enhance the appearance of the vehicle.

17. (New) An ornament assembly for an exhaust pipe of a vehicle comprising:

a stand;

an axle coupled to the stand;

a spring useful for supplying a restoring force to the axle; and

a propeller coupled to the axle, wherein exhaust gases impinge upon the propeller to rotate the propeller radially, and the spring enables axial movement of the axle relative to the exhaust pipe according to the force of the exhaust gases.

18. (New) The ornament assembly of claim 17, wherein the propeller exits and reenters the exhaust pipe as a result of the axial movement.

19. (New) The ornament assembly of claim 17, wherein the stand is substantially carried within the exhaust pipe.

20. (New) The ornament assembly of claim 17, wherein the stand is substantially carried external to the exhaust pipe.

21. (New) The ornament assembly of claim 17, wherein the spring has a first end coupled to the axle, and a second end coupled to the stand.

22. (New) The ornament assembly of claim 17, further including a sleeve coupled to the stand, wherein the sleeve is useful for housing the axle.

23. (New) The ornament assembly of claim 17, wherein the stand is coupled to a tail pipe that is attached to the exhaust pipe to enhance the appearance of the vehicle.

24. (New) A method of enhancing the appearance of a vehicle comprising:

attaching an ornament assembly, comprising a stand, an axle coupled to the stand, a spring useful for supplying a restoring force to the axle, and a propeller coupled to the axle, to an exhaust pipe of the vehicle;

rotating the propeller radially; and

moving the axle axially relative to the exhaust pipe.

25. (New) The method of enhancing the appearance of a vehicle of claim 24, wherein exhaust gases impinging upon the propeller are utilized to rotate the propeller radially.

26. (New) The method of enhancing the appearance of a vehicle of claim 24, wherein the spring is utilized to enable axial movement of the axle relative to the exhaust pipe according to the force of the exhaust gases.

27. (New) The method of enhancing the appearance of a vehicle of claim 24, wherein the propeller exits and reenters the exhaust pipe as a result of the axial movement.

28. (New) The method of enhancing the appearance of a vehicle of claim 25, wherein the stand is attached to a tail pipe that is attached to the exhaust pipe of the vehicle.